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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An ophthalmologic apparatus including comprising:

measuring light projecting means for projecting a measuring beam into the

pupil of an eye to be examined for the measurement of the eye to be examined;

an eye examining portion unit for receiving said measuring a light beam

and effecting the measurement of the eye to be examined;

alignment light projecting means for projecting an alignment beam onto the cornea of the eye to be examined;

detecting means for detecting the position of the vertex of the cornea from a cornea-reflected beam of said alignment beam;

an image pickup means element for picking up the image of the front eye part of the eye to be examined; and

calculating means for calculating the central position and pupil diameter of the pupil of the eye to be examined on the basis of an output signal from said image pickup means;

wherein control means compares the a controller for comparing pupil diameter of the eye to be examined calculated by said calculating means with a predetermined value, and changes over a controlling method for said for said for detecting the positional shift between a position of the vertex of the cornea and the eye examining portion on the basis of the result of said comparison unit in a case where the pupil diameter of the eye to be examined is larger than the

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predetermined value, for detecting the positional shift between the center of the pupil of the eye to be examined and the eye examining portion unit in a case where the pupil diameter of said eye to be examined is smaller than the predetermined value, and for aligning the eye examining portion unit based on the detected positional shift.

2-3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) An ophthalmologic apparatus comprising:

measuring light projecting means for projecting a measuring means into

the pupil of an eye to be examined for the measurement of the eye to be examined;

an eye examining portion unit for receiving said measuring a light beam

and effecting the measurement of the eye to be examined;

alignment light projecting means for projecting an alignment beam onto the cornea of the eye to be examined;

detecting means for detecting the position of the vertex of the cornea from a cornea reflected beam of said alignment beam;

<u>an</u> image pickup <u>means</u> <u>element</u> for picking up <u>the an</u> image of the front eye part of the eye to be examined; and

calculating means for calculating the central position and pupil diameter of the pupil of the eye to be examined on the basis of an output signal from said image pickup means;

wherein control means calculates a controller for obtaining an amount of

eccentricity between said calculated which is a distance between a central position of a pupil and the a position of a vertex of a cornea, for aligning the eye examining portion unit based on the position of the vertex of the cornea in a case where the detected by said detecting means, and compares said amount of eccentricity, calculated said pupil diameter and a predetermined value, and effects the alignment of said eye examining portion on the basis of the result of said eomparison is smaller than a predetermined value, and for aligning the eye examining portion unit based on the central position of the pupil in a case where the amount of eccentricity is greater than the predetermined value.

5. (Original) An ophthalmologic apparatus according to Claim 4, wherein said predetermined value is a measurable minimum pupil diameter.

6 and 7. (Canceled)

- 8. (Original) An ophthalmologic apparatus according to Claim 4, further including warning means for warning an examiner that said amount of eccentricity is greater than the predetermined value.
- 9. (Currently Amended) An ophthalmologic apparatus for projecting a <u>light</u> beam into the pupil of an eye to be examined and effecting measurement or examination by the use of reflected light thereof, including , comprising:

an eye examining portion unit for receiving a light beam and effecting the

measurement of the eye to be examined;

an image pickup means element for photographing picking up an image of the front eye part of the eye to be examined; and calculating means for calculating the central position and pupil diameter of the pupil of the eye to be examined on the basis of an output signal from said image pickup means; and

examining portion on the basis of positional shift between a central position of a pupil calculated by said calculating means and said the eye examining portion unit;

wherein said control means changes the controller makes the tolerance level of the alignment between said the eye examining portion and the eye to be examined according to the size of the pupil diameter of the eye to be examined calculated by said calculating means unit smaller in a case where pupil diameter is smaller than a predetermined value.

10-13. (Canceled)